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### Small Business Development Centers (SBDC) General Business Assistance

- Access to Management Resources
- Business Planning Assistance
- Technical and Training Resources
- Marketing Information
- Financing Opportunities
- Assistance with Financial Analysis
- Business Education and Workshops
- Licensing Information
- Productivity Assessment
- Information Technology Assistance

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- Help Identifying Appropriate Government Agencies That Want Your Product
- Assistance with Bidder Applications
- Targeted Contracting Opportunities
- Bar Code and Packaging Information
- Government Standards and Specifications
- Quality Assurance Guidelines
- Contract Administration Information
- Bid Requirement Information

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- Evaluation of Company's Export Readiness
- Easy Access to Foreign Markets
- Pricing and Transportation Information
- Foreign Trade Activities and Show Schedules
- International Market Resources and Trade Leads
- Specialized Assistance through NAFTA Opportunity Centers

### First Stop Business Information Center

- Toll Free Business Helpline, 800-252-2923
- Help with Business Permits and Regulations
- Free Guides; including *Starting a Business in Illinois*
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